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SUNNYSIDE **GLADIOLUS** GARDENS

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NATICK, **MASSACHUSETTS**

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The following varieties were originated by Mr. Gage:

MAURICE FULD

(Grandiflora type)

This beautiful variety is a PRIZE WINNING EXHIBITION GLADIOLUS. The flowers, which measure six inches across, and when well grown often six and a half inches, are of wonderful substance, withstanding the hottest sun without wilting.

While it will do well in any kind of soil, climate, or a wet or dry season, a well fertilized soil will produce much larger flowers, if desirable for exhibition purposes.

Fine spike of rich pink (rose doree) without streaks or blemish, with a small blotch of tyrian rose on a pure white throat.

In the test plot of the Mount Airy Gardens, Maurice Fuld scored 96 EXHIBITION; 94 COMMERCIAL; remarks—MAURICE FULD is going to be hard to beat—Chas. E. F. Gersdorff.

"Of the varieties you sent me, Maurice Fuld is sure SOME GLAD. CYNTHIA CLOUGH is a dandy, too; unlike anything I have seen in its shade."—Ernest S. Clark, Windsor Gardens, Windsor, Conn.

First size bulbs, \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.00. Second size bulbs, \$1.50 each; 4 for \$5.00.

ALMA GLUCK

(Prim. Hybrid.)

This beautiful and distinctive prim. is the first of its color to appear among the hybrids of Primulinus. It is a clear, brilliant peach red. There is a splash of scarlet red in the throat, surrounded with a corona of sulphur yellow. The flowers are large and well placed on a slender, but wiry stem. It is one of the list of Super-Glads, rated by Gersdorff, 93 EXHIBITION, 93 Commercial. Also one of the very best for Landscape use.

First size bulbs, 25c each; \$2.50 dozen. Second size (fine blooming size), 20c each; \$2.00 a dozen; 100 bulbs, \$15.00.

- MARJORIE GAGE—A seedling of "Mrs. Frank Pendleton," which it resembles very much, excepting that it is pure white instead of pink. and has the characteristic deep red blotch that makes "Pendleton" so impressively attractive. Per bulb, 25c; dozen, \$2.50.
- BRONZE BEAUTY—A remarkable color combination. Ground color Colonial buff, and so closely overlaid with fine lines of old rose that the effect is a light bronze color. The marking is identical with Dr. Bales' Rosemary, but a different color and much larger flower, with a longer spike. Prim type, scoring 92 EXHIBITION. Each 75c. Only one to each purchaser.
- CYNTHIA CLOUGH—Geranium pink; three lower petals scarlet red with a fine white line running through the center. Fine spike of good size flowers. "Cynthia Clough is away ahead of all the other varieties you sent me"—Willis E. Fryer, Gladiolus and Iris Specialist, Mantorville, Minn. 35c each; \$3.50 a dozen.
- AFRICA—Pomegranate purple; there is a large blotch of Bordeaux tipped with white in the throat, which appears to be black at a short distance; quite an unusual color effect, similar to the old variety, Mephistophles. Each, 50c. Only two to each purchaser.
- SEEDLING OFFER—With every order amounting to \$3.00 or over I will include one of my new, unnamed Seedlings. I am doing this to get your opinion of these Seedlings before I offer them under Name, as I only intend to name those that are really worthy and distinctive.

FOUR VERY FINE GLADIOLI

- GLORIANA—A rich salmon with creamy throat. This is one of the most beautiful glads I have ever grown. The best of over 300 new varieties I tested last season. Betcher's Masterpiece. Each, \$5.00.
- THE ARISTOCRAT—A pale saffron pink, flaked deep orange with cream throat, and a very distinct violet feather. Large flower, slightly ruffled. This is my favorite among the many fine varieties originating with Mr. Purple. Each, \$5.00.
- RICHARD DIENER—Pure rose salmon, light sprinkling of ruby on creamy yellow center. The acme of perfection in coloring, and one of the best growers of the Diener Varieties. Each, 50c.
- FLORENCE—(Vilmorin). A French importation, and the best deep lilac I have seen. The flowers are large, and well arranged on a graceful spike. Deep lilac with a pure white throat. Each, 35c.



GLADIOLUS ALMA GLUCK FROM SUNNYSIDE GARDENS NATICK, MASSACHUSETTS

UNBLOOMED SEEDLINGS

I am again offering this year a few hundred bulbs of my unbloomed seedlings (that have never yet come into bloom). These bulbs were raised from hand-crossed seed of the finest named varieties, and some of my own best varieties. In 1924 I sold to Mr. John H. Paton, Goldedge Gladiolus Gardens, North Attleboro, Mass., 100 bulbs of these seedlings. Last year he purchased 500 bulbs and this year he has ordered 750. With flowers from this stock he took FIRST PRIZE for best seedling variety at the Exhibiton of the North Attleboro Garden Club Show, 1924. First and second PRIZES, and the American Gladiolus Society's BLUE RIBBON in the seedling class, at their 1925 Show, and refused an offer of \$75.00 for a bulb of one of these prize winners.

"I had great good luck with your Unbloomed Seedlings. Nearly all of them bloomed, and many of them very choice. I had great fun with them, and my Ridgway Chart. There were several really very fine, and lovely and interesting, as compared with my best named varieties."—E. G. L.. Elkhart, Indiana.

Most of these bulbs will bloom next summer (1926). 75c a dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

I can also supply hand hybridized seed of the same quality as above bulbs, at \$10.00 for 1000 seeds; 100 seeds, \$1.00.

As I am disposing of everything, except my own varieties, and have several hundred choice named varieties in quantities too small to list, I am going to include some of these bulbs with every order, no matter how small the order, until stock is exhausted, and early orders are advised, to secure some very choice glads free. Orders under \$2.00 not accepted.

All orders sent prepaid and insured.

CHOICE IRISES WANTED IN EXCHANGE FOR ANYTHING LISTED

Thanking you for past favors,

L. MERTON GAGE.